

S. MICHAEL BENDER, P.A.

REGISTERED PATENT ATTORNEY

4991 BACOPA LANE SOUTH, SUITE 201
ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33715

TELEPHONE: (727) 866-0200
FACSIMILE: (727) 866-9988

MEMBER OF NEW JERSEY BAR
MEMBER OF DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BAR
MEMBER OF FEDERAL PATENT BAR

SPECIALIZING IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY
MATTERS EXCLUSIVELY

MAILING ADDRESS
POST OFFICE BOX 530399
ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33747

17303846511
08/23/03



16086 U.S. PTO
08/23/03

August 23, 2003

VIA EXPRESS MAIL

Mail Stop Patent Application
Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith under 37 CFR § 1.153(b) is a **non-provisional U.S. patent application** identified as follows:

Applicant: **GAROLD B. BITNER II**
Serial No.: not yet accorded
Filed: not yet accorded
For: **DOOR-MOUNTED BUG BARRIER APPARATUS**
Atty. Dkt.: **4007M**

Applicant hereby claims priority based upon applicant's copending Provisional Application Serial No. 60/406,648; filed August 28, 2002.

Small Entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 is sought by a verified statement filed with the application.

In compliance with applicant's duty under 37 CFR § 1.56(a), an Information Disclosure Citation (Form PTO/SB/08A) is transmitted herewith with 5 references.

A check No. 5067 in the amount of \$ 375. to cover the filing fee is attached. No additional fee is required. Should applicant be mistaken in this regard, the Commissioner is authorized to charge all such additional fees to Deposit account 02-1905.

Commissioner for Patents
August 23, 2003
Page 2

The undersigned hereby certifies that the attached application was deposited with the United States Postal Service in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 as Express Mail (**No. ET900536345US**), Post Office to Addressee service, on August 23, 2003.

Respectfully,

S. Michael Bender
Attorney for Applicant
Registration No. 24,038

SMB/cjy
Encl.